

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

HMK ENTERPRISES, INC.,	)	
ROBERT ACKERMAN and	)	
STEVEN KAROL,	)	
	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	Civil Action No. 04-12688-MLW
v.	)	
	)	
FEDERAL INSURANCE	)	
COMPANY,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
	)	

**JOINT STATEMENT CONCERNING ASSIGNMENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Pursuant to the Court's July 6, 2005 Order, Plaintiffs HMK Enterprises, Inc., Steve Karol and Robert Ackerman and Defendant Federal Insurance Company, being all of the parties to the above-captioned matter, hereby jointly report that they do not at this time consent to the transfer of the above-captioned case to Magistrate Judge Bowler for all purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

<p>HMK ENTERPRISES, INC., ROBERT ACKERMAN and STEVEN KAROL,  By their attorneys,  <u>/s/ Heidi A. Nadel</u> Howard M. Cooper (BBO #543842) Heidi A. Nadel (BBO#641617) TODD &amp; WELD LLP 28 State Street Boston, MA 02110 (617) 720-2626</p> <p>Dated: July 27, 2005</p>	<p>FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY,  By its attorneys,  <u>/s/ Lee M. Holland</u> Stephen J. Abarbanel (BBO #010100) Lee M. Holland (BBO #650617) Robinson &amp; Cole LLP One Boston Place Boston, MA 02108-4404 (617) 557-5938</p> <p>Jonathan A. Constine, Esquire Douglas S. Crosno, Esquire HOGAN &amp; HARTSON, L.L.P. 555 13<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20004 Telephone: (202) 637-5870 Facsimile: (202) 637-5910</p>
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